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METHOD FOR PRECONDITIONING AND ENCODING A DATA TABLE, AND METHOD FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TABLE REQUESTS ON A VECTORAL PROCESSOR

McLean, Virginia

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the subject application, filed concurrently herewith, as indicated below:

IN THE TITLE:

Delete "THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TABLE REQUESTS ON A VECTORAL PROCESSOR" and substitute –IMPLEMENTING TABLE QUERIES IN A MACHINE WITH VECTORIAL CAPABILITIES--;

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title and before the first paragraph on page 1, insert the following:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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